

May 23, 2005 - Department Of Correction Announces Appointment PEN Products Director

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Indianapolis, Indiana (May 23, 2005) — The Indiana Department of Correction announced today that Michael Herron has been named Director of PEN Products. In that position, Herron will develop and drive new business opportunities for the Department.

Herron's experience in plant operations, distribution and materials makes him a valuable asset to the Department. He also shows a strong competence in supply chain management, six sigma methodology and just in time inventory.

"I am excited to welcome Mr. Herron on board and expect that he will move PEN Products to a value-driven business model, with new levels of performance," said J. David Donahue. "Herron has proven to be an outstanding strategist who can increase business in innovate ways, in a disciplined, cost-effective and timely manner," added Donahue.

Prior to joining the Department, Herron worked for Eaton Corporation for 22 years in various technical and management positions. He also worked as an independent contactor at Thomas P. Miller & Associates in Indiana.

Herron received a BS degree in Industrial Management from Purdue University and an MBA from Western Michigan University.

About PEN Products

PEN continues its emphasis to increase offender employment through joint ventures with private sector industry and under the Prison Industry Enhancement Certification Program (PIE). Administered by the Bureau of Justice Assistance within the U.S. Department of Justice, PIE enables correctional facility administrators to establish joint ventures with private sector companies for the production of offender made goods involved in interstate commerce. PEN reported sales of \$39 million in 2004.

About the Department of Correction

The Department employs over 9,000 employees and houses over 23,000 adult offenders and more than 1,000 juveniles, in 33 facilities, ranging from minimum to maximum custody, prison camps, juvenile facilities and work release centers. The Department's home page on the Internet can be found at: <http://www.in.gov/indcorrection>.